



Grades 9–12

3.3.9-12.S Earth and Space Science: Weather and Climate

Students who demonstrate understanding can analyze geoscience data and the results from global climate models to make an evidence based forecast of the current rate of global or regional climate change and associated future impacts to Earth systems.

Clarifying Statement: Examples of evidence, for both data and climate model outputs, are for climate changes (such as precipitation and temperature) and their associated impacts (such as on sea level, glacial ice volumes, or atmosphere and ocean composition).

Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to one example of a climate change and its associated impacts.

Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)	Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)	Crosscutting Concepts (CCC)
<p>Analyzing and Interpreting Data Analyzing data in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to introducing more detailed statistical analysis, the comparison of data sets for consistency, and the use of models to generate and analyze data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze data using computational models in order to make valid and reliable scientific claims. <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Connections to Nature of Science</p> <p>Scientific Investigations Use a Variety of Methods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science investigations use diverse methods and do not always use the same set of procedures to obtain data. New technologies advance scientific knowledge. <p>Scientific Knowledge Is Based on Empirical Evidence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science arguments are strengthened by multiple lines of evidence supporting a single explanation. 	<p>ESS3.D: Global Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Though the magnitudes of human impacts are greater than they have ever been, so too are human abilities to model, predict, and manage current and future impacts. 	<p>Stability and Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change and rates of change can be quantified and modeled over very short or very long periods of time. Some system changes are irreversible.

Pennsylvania Context: Examples of Pennsylvania context include but are not limited to Pennsylvania’s latitude, altitude, and geography.

PA Career Ready Skills: Evaluate a situation to identify skills and strategies to prevent and resolve conflicts.



Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices

Standard Source	Possible Connections to Other Standard(s) or Practice(s)
Agriculture (AFNR)	CS.06.01.01.a: Research and explain the foundational cycles in AFNR (e.g., water cycle, nutrient cycle, carbon cycle, etc.).
Science, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (NAAEE)	9-12 Strand 2.3.A. Human-environment interactions: Learners analyze ways that humans interact with their environment and how these interactions change with technological developments. Learners determine costs and benefits to different groups in society as well as unintended consequences. 9-12 Strand 3.1.B. Sorting out the consequences of issues: Learners evaluate the consequences of a broad range of environmental changes, conditions, and issues on environmental quality and long-term sustainability. They identify environmental justice and social equity implications.
PA Core Standards: ELA	CC.3.5.9-12.A: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to the precise details of explanations or descriptions. CC.3.5.11-12.A: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. CC.3.5.9-10.B: Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; trace the text’s explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text. CC.3.5.9-12.B: Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; summarize complex concepts, processes, or information presented in a text by paraphrasing them in simpler but still accurate terms. 3.5.9-10.G: Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words. CC.3.5.11-12.G: Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem.
PA Core Standards and Practices: Math	CC.2.1.HS.F.5: Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.
PA Standards: Social Studies	7.2.9.B: Explain the dynamics of the fundamental processes that underlie the operation of Earth’s physical systems.
Educational Technology (ISTE)	1.3. Knowledge Constructor: Students critically curate a variety of resources using digital tools to construct knowledge, produce creative artifacts and make meaningful learning experiences for themselves and others.
Technology and Engineering (ITEEA)	STEL-10: Assess how similarities and differences among scientific, mathematical, engineering, and technological knowledge and skills contributed to the design of a product or system.